

“If we don’t stand for children, then
we don’t stand for much.”

~Marian Wright Edelman

Honoring USC NAI Class of 2018

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USC Neighborhood Academic Initiative Board of Councilors

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2018

Reception 5:30 pm

Dinner 6:15 pm

Town and Gown

University Park Campus

For hosted parking, enter McCarthy Way Structure at Figueroa Street and McCarthy Way

*Please respond by Thursday, April 19th online at usc.edu/escp (code: NAI2018)
or by phone at 213.743.1645*

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ABOUT THE USC NEIGHBORHOOD ACADEMIC INITIATIVE

NAI is a seven-year pre-college, comprehensive, rigorous educational program operated by USC University Relations. NAI prepares low-income, first generation, under-represented, minority students living in the neighborhoods surrounding USC for access and success at a college or university. Those who complete the program, meet USC's competitive admission requirements, and choose to attend USC, are awarded a full financial package minus loans. Many NAI students are the first in their family to graduate from high school and in most cases they are the first in their family to attend college. NAI boasts a 100% high school graduation rate and a 98% college attendance rate. NAI Scholars are accepted to and attend top prestigious universities and colleges across the country including USC, Harvard, Stanford and UCLA. The NAI program garnered national media attention and serves as a model program for college access and success.

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